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1. Pardubice Airfield [5001N-1545E] was located 4½ km. SW of the center of Pardubice. [Enclosure A]. An oval race track, with grandstand, which was used for horse racing and motorcycle racing was one kilometer NE of the airfield. The field was rectangular in shape, 500 to 600 m. wide and 1,000 m. long. It was not capable of being extended. The landing and taxi area was grass, very rough, with the grass missing in spots. There was natural drainage, but

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[REDACTED] There was one runway [Enclosure B, Point 6]. The only obstructions were the airfield buildings. The altitude was 225 m.

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[REDACTED]. A signal man in an old truck was equipped with red, white, and green flares and an Aldis lamp. A red flare or light meant "danger", a green flare or light meant "clear to land or take off", and a white flare or light meant "all planes in area return to home base". There were telephones and electricity at the airfield, but I have no details on this subject. The control tower communications equipment was similar to that at the Havlickuv Brod [4937N-1535E] Airfield. One ambulance was kept by the control tower, and there was a dispensary in the caserne area [Encl. B, Point 1]. The nearest hospital was in the town of Pardubice.

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3. This was a military airfield, and there was a flying school there.

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Aviation Military Academy (vojenska letecka akademie) consisted of two schools, the elementary flying school at Hradec Kralove, and the advanced school for fighter pilots at Pardubice. This advanced course lasted one year. Upon completion of training, the students went back to Hradec Kralove for the graduation ceremonies. In addition to use by members of the pilot school, members of the Svazarm (formerly Doslet) flying club flew from this airfield on Saturday afternoons, Sundays, and holidays. However, all the installations at the field except the Svazarm hangars [Enclosure B, Point 4a] and the runway area were off limits to the Svazarm members.

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ENCLOSURES:

A. Overlay of GSGS 4416, Sheet T-10, 1:100,000, Pardubice. Pinpoint location of Pardubice Airfield and other prominent landmarks.

B. [] Sketch of Pardubice Airfield.

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